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SUBJECT: DIA RELEASE OF CURRENT INTELLIGENCE

REF: A. MANILA 12534 OCT 74 B. STATE 229812 OCT 74

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1. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL (REF A AND PREVIOUS) THAT EMBASSY QUESTIONED WISDOM OF DIA DISCLOSURES POLICY AND WE WERE UNEASY OVER DEPARTMENT STATEMENT (REF B) THAT "MATERIAL FOR CURRENT INTELLIGENCE RELEASE PROGRAMS NOW IN OPERATION THAT FOLLOW APPROVED GUIDELINES ANRE NOT SUBJECTED TO COORDINATION AT THE WASHINGTON LEVEL."

2. CURRENT FIASCO OVER RELEASE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING WAR MATERIEL LEFT BEHIND IN VIETNAM (REF C, D) SUGGESTS THE DESIRABILITY OF IMPROVING WASHINGTON COORDINATION MECHANISM AND UNDERLINES DANGERS INHERENT IN LEAVING DECISIONS TO UNCOORDINATED INDIVIDUAL EMBASSY JUDGEMENTS ESPECIALLY IN SUCH CLOSE-KNIT AREA AS SOUTHEAST ASIA.

3. IN VIEW OF THE RELEASE OF VIETNAM WAR MATERIAL INFORMATION TO THAI AND SINGAPORE GOVERNMENTS, WE EXPECT UNPLEASANT REPERCUSSIONS HERE BECAUSE WE DID NOT
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MAKE THE INFORMATION ALSO AVAILABLE TO OUR PHILIPPINE

ALLIES EARLIER AND ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE IT EVEN NOW.
WE RDCOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT REEXAMINE AND IMPROVE
WASHINGTON COORDINATION MECHANISM SO WE DONT HAVE TO
FACE THIS AGAIN. SULLIVAN

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